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## **Public Notification**

### **BOIL WATER ADVISORY**

The City of Washington is issuing a Boil Water Advisory only for residents on Lincoln Circle, Abbey Court, Abbey Circle, Dexter Court, Bishop Court, Meredith Court, and Meredith Circle. No other residences are affected. The advisory is due to replacement of a faulty fire hydrant. The repair process may disrupt water supply or cause water pressure in parts of the water system to drop to very low levels. Without positive water pressure, there is the potential a health hazard may exist due to microbial contamination. Therefore, the advisory is being issued out of an abundance of caution.

To protect the public from a potential health hazard, customers that have experienced water outages or low water pressures are advised to use only boiled tap water or bottled water for drinking, cooking, or preparing food. To properly boil tap water for use, customers should: (a) heat water until bubbles come quickly from the bottom of the container, (b) continue heating the water for one minute once it begins to boil and, (c) remove the water from the heat source and allow to cool before use.

During a Boil Water Advisory, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends that boiled tap water or bottled water be used for drinking, brushing teeth, washing and preparing food, preparing baby formula, making ice, and providing drinking water for pets.

Other activities such as washing laundry and dishes can be done without boiling tap water if done properly. Visit [www.cdc.gov/healthywater/emergency/drinking/drinking-water-advisories/boil-water-advisory.html](http://www.cdc.gov/healthywater/emergency/drinking/drinking-water-advisories/boil-water-advisory.html) for complete CDC guidelines.

The advisory is in effect until the City of Washington has done the appropriate testing to be confident that there is no longer a public health concern. Customers will be notified immediately when the advisory is lifted. Once the advisory is lifted you should flush all faucets for a minimum of two minutes before using for drinking or food preparation.

For more information, contact the City of Washington at 706-678-3277.